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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 2-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed June 16, 2003, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from September 16, 2003 to November 16, 2003. Because November 16, 2003 falls on a Sunday, the request is effective for a carryover to November 17, 2003, the next business day.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-4895 in the amount of \$210.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any over-payment to PTO Deposit Account No.13-4895.

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